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North Dakota Turkey Improvement Ass'n

By A. VAN OOSTING, Secretary
Hensler, N. D.

Being short of help I decided to raise my poults this season with hens on range, but never again! In the first place the season has been too wet and cold for that method of brooding and my second trouble was skunks which raided the broods and we lost a good many. I have decided that it is better economy to run brooders than to feed skunks on turkey poults. From now on my poults will always be found in the brooder house, protected from varmints and out of the wet and cold until they are large enough to take care of themselves. I don't like to be writing of my own experiences continually, but I get so little response from our members and I don't like to miss an issue in having our notes in the Journal.

I have just had a note from Arthur Orth who had Grand Champion dressed turkey at our show last winter. Mr. Orth says nothing about his turkeys but he has made it possible for our Association to own the cut of his champion bird, by helping in a large way in paying for same. Thanks, Mr. Orth. It is through such fine cooperation that our Association will thrive and grow and help the turkey grower to produce better quality birds for both the show and the market.

While the dressed bird exhibit at our last show was small there were some fine specimens in it and Mr. Orth's champion was especially good and made a fine demonstration of what growers should work for in market turkeys.

THE PICNIC

To our members and other turkey raisers of this section who missed the North Dakota Turkey Improvement Association picnic at Minot, July 20th, I will say you sure missed a big day. The program of the day began with a business meeting at 11 A. M. and at 12:30 we sat down to a big dinner, such as only our turkey women know how to prepare. Coffee and ice-cream was furnished free by the Armour Company and when served with those "best" cakes which the ladies brought from home, I guess every one ate all they could and as for myself, I was afraid I would be unable to move over to where the speaking program was to take place, when I had finished, but I managed to make it. There were about 110 present, the most we have had at our annual picnic.

The program was in charge of Mrs. Lars Lovig, President of the Association who explained the why of our get-together. She also announced that Frank Moore was unable to attend on account of illness. We are all hoping he may have an early recovery. The first talk was by the writer, telling

about the things our Association stands for and of the things we should try to do. Mr. Kenan, of the Armour Co. followed with a talk on the market type turkey. He also urged that we make every effort to increase interest and attendance at this annual affair and the securing of outside speakers. Dr. DeMotts of Minot, gave a short talk on the Billings method of turkey-raising and urged it be followed. He was followed by a talk by Cap. Ackers of the Chamber of Commerce who spoke of the pioneering being done by the N. D. T. I. A. and of the opportunities turkey raising offered in this section. Mr. Boutilier, one of our directors, spoke on federal grading of turkeys and Mrs. S. Birk led a discussion on turkey diseases.

The program closed with a short talk by Mrs. Lovig telling of her trip to Fargo and Grand Forks last winter. Mrs. Lovig also stated that she now has poults, eight weeks of age weighing 5 pounds. How many can beat that? The manager of the Farmer's Union, of Minot was present and joined our Association. We are glad to welcome him and ask his cooperation. Everyone voted the day a grand success as they returned to their homes.

The feeding of new corn to turkeys does not cause Blackhead, as many believe. New corn is as good for feed as any other grain, but it must be thoroughly dry before feeding or it may cause intestinal troubles.

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The Allen's of Radium

**The Editor Visits This Famous
Bronze-raising Family and Finds
the Hospitality Good.**

Of the turkey breeders of northwestern Minnesota, few are better known or more highly esteemed than the subjects of this sketch, Mr. and Mrs. John O. Allen. The Allen farm consists of a half section of land lying close to the small village of Radium, a hundred miles south of the Canadian border.

While grain farming is one of the most important items in agriculture in that section, turkeys have been the "life saver," during the years of drouth and depression. Thief River Falls, twenty miles away, is one of the largest turkey shipping centers in the entire country. This whole section is broken prairie and cutover country with sufficient growth of brush and light timber to furnish cover protection, ideal for turkey raising.

Mrs. Allen readily accepts the responsibility for having launched the farm into turkey raising. It was back in 1912, while she was yet single and teaching school that the lady with whom she boarded, gave her two settings of turkey eggs of common mixed breeding, from which she raised 20 poults. Two years later, after she had taken on the responsibilities of housewife, from this same stock she recalls having raised to maturity, 27 turks which brought her \$27.00 on the market and with this sum she purchased her "kitchen cabinet" of which she is still proud, for it has served her well through the intervening years.

Being of a progressive nature and not satisfied with this ordinary stock, Mrs. Allen decided to raise better quality turkeys and in 1917 purchased two hens and a tom of pure bred Bronze, the best she could find. Hard luck followed this venture as an owl took one of the hens and of those raised that year the dogs killed all but six. Undaunted, however, and enthused with the better bred birds she continued to raise turkeys and in 1921, paid what she considered quite an exorbitant price for a breeding tom from eastern breeders. The results obtained justified the purchase. Continuing the breeding of high class Bronze and with continued improvement she began exhibiting in the fall of 1930 and each season since then the Allen birds have made enviable winnings in the hottest of compe-



The John O. Allen family, Radium, Minn. Left to right: Fern, Lloyd, Evelyn, Mr. and Mrs. Allen. The Allens raise splendid Bronze and are active supporters of leading northwest turkey shows.

tition at the All-American Turkey Show, the International and at many other prominent shows.

Mindful of Mrs. Allen's success with her turkeys and alive to the possibilities in turkey-raising in this newer section of the northwest, Mr. Allen became deeply interested and for the past four or five years has taken an active part in both the rearing and exhibiting of their fine stock. That the Allens have been most practical in the selection of their breeders, from the commercial view point, is demonstrated by the signal honor which came to them through the winnings of grand champion dressed turkey, two years in succession, 1932, 1933 at the All-American show, as well as many other high honors in this department at this premier turkey show.

The Allens do not go in for mass production. This season they have about 550 very fine, rapidly-developing young birds that promise to give plenty of competition in both live and dressed divisions of the best of shows. This is the largest number they have raised in any one season, their average being about 300. This they believe to be a safe and sane plan to follow. They are certain that the better bred birds are likewise the better market specimens, if carefully selected and they are particular to select their breeders to produce both exhibition and market excellence.

At the shows the Allens have become familiar and influential figures, their presence and councils being valued assets. The esteem in which they are held can readily be estimated from the honors accorded them by the turkey folks, Mrs. Allen is president of the All-American Turkey Hen Club and Mr. Allen is vice-president of the show association.

At the Allen home the "latch string hangs out" and many are the friends that make use of it; hospitality and friendliness prevails here. The two daughters, Evelyn and Fern blossoming into young womanhood

are both teachers in country schools but that both are well versed in the art of house-keeping is apparent to every visitor. Evidently, the mother has not yet retired from her teaching profession. Lloyd, the son has ambition to do things. A natural mechanic, he operates the tractor and other farm machinery and is handy man about the place in general. He is of that congenial disposition for which the family is noted and will surely make good.

Aside from her work with the turkeys Mrs. Allen takes much pride in her garden and flowers and when we called there early in July, was surprised to see things so well advanced at this far northern point. It is true that their winters are long and cold, but their summers are unusually delightful and the vigorous growth made by vegetation as well as by the poults is due to the long days of sunshine and daylight in this north country which has double compensation for every drawback.

Wisconsin Turkey Association Notes

By MRS. N. W. PAQUETTE
Corresponding Secretary

The annual picnic of the Wisconsin Turkey Association is once more "a thing of the past," but a delightful memory lingers on. Clear skies, cool weather, a large attendance, and loaded tables—all combined to make it one of those enjoyable occasions long to be remembered, and the next one—looked forward to. Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Dorr were our hosts for the day, at their lovely home, "Whitehill Tourist Camp;" and may I say to the uninitiated that it is literally a WHITE hill, every kind of poultry and animal on the farm are white—white turkeys, white chickens, white ducks, white goats, etc., etc., and of course white buildings; and in its lovely setting of grove and knoll, makes an ideal place for our annual picnic.

About 75 were present, and among the visitors we find Prof. and Mrs. J. B. Hayes, and family, from Madison; Prof. Annin, also from Madison, and Mr. and Mrs. George Smith and family of Milwaukee. Mr. Smith is representative of Hubbard Milling Co.

Prof. Hayes and Prof. Annin, both of the Poultry Division of the University, gave talks of their work relative to the turkey industry. Quite an extensive turkey program is being carried on by the University this year, and we hope to derive much good from their findings. They also reported that there is a great deal of blackhead and coccidiosis in the state this season, being greatly aggravated by the excessive amount of rain we have had this year.

Miss Lucile Smith gave several interesting readings that were greatly enjoyed by

all, as were also the accordion numbers by one of our new members. The President appointed Mr. Dorr and Mr. Kappel for the next News Letter committee.

Those who are planning to show their turkeys at the State Fair are busy grooming their birds; it is the hope of the Association that the Turkey section in the Poultry building will be the best in years.

Efforts are being made to have Dr. Billings with us for our next meeting in August, the exact date of which will be announced later.

H. I. Landon, manager of the Crane Farms, Lake Geneva, was the Speaker over the radio this month, using as his subject the brooding of poults on wire.

MRS. N. W. PAQUETTE,
Corresponding Secretary.

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San Juan Becomes Co-operation Conscious

By MARGUERITE DETI

The achievements of the San Juan Basin turkey growers in the past season have not been due to large production. Quite the contrary. If you drive through the farming districts of the Basin, whether it is in the section where the pine trees and columbines point to a too blue sky, or where the grey monotony of the sage is relieved by the flame of the Indian paint brush, you will be struck by the great decrease in the size of the turkey flocks. Some have decreased fifty per cent in the last year.

The members of the San Juan Basin Turkey Association anticipated sooner perhaps than many growers that mass production in turkeys is risky, and that keeping their flocks too large led only to over-production and low prices, and consequently stuck to turkey growing as one of the phases of farm life. But through careful grading and co-operation it has become a profitable phase. The returns are by no means incidental. Last season 131 tons of carefully dressed and graded turkeys found their way from this territory to the markets of the world. In turn \$53,000 found its way to the 600 members of the Association.

This is the second year that the San Juan Basin Turkey Growers Association has been one of the ten pools which make up the mammoth pool of the Northwestern Turkey Growers Association. Mr. C. D. Horner, the delegate from the Basin returning from the semi-annual meeting at Salt Lake City last May, stated: "It was a wise thing when we became affiliated with a national pool. The Association has a selling agency in all the big markets of the world." A carload of turkeys labeled "Norbest," the trade mark of Northwestern Turkey Growers Association, means only one thing, whether shipped to Canada or to New York City, and that is, No. 1 turkeys. Small pools trying to find their own markets soon find themselves in a slump accepting rather than demanding prices for their products.

The San Juan Basin, including portions of Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and Utah, has long enjoyed the title of Agricultural Utopia. The wild turkey winged its way over the silvery San Juan long before the first prospector knelt by its bank to "pan" out gold, or the first Navajo sheep-herder drove his herd to drink from its clear waters. The drought, the floods,



A flock of San Juan Basin bronze beauties belonging to Mr. C. D. Honner, Alison, Colorado.

the dust storms little affected the placid course of the Silvery San Juan. The farmers read of these catastrophes in their newspapers or in letters from their relatives back "East." But they began to realize more and more, that in spite of Nature's generosity to the locality in which they lived they needed to stick together and send out products of uniformity to make a success of turkey growing. It is these things, that any locality can do, that has given the Basin an enviable name of being the best possible community to raise turkeys.

NARRAGANSETT CLUB NOTES

By MRS. WM. EDDIE, Secretary

First I want to comment on the Turkey Hen Club picnic, the weather was perfect, and a large number of turkey folks were present. Also a number of guests. Speaking for myself. I enjoyed the day immensely and the evening shadows appeared all too soon (I may have a little of Mr. Hackett's poetry stuck in here) to remind us it was time to start for home and look after our turkeys. Mr. Hackett was present again this year and we were all very happy to have him with us. and very much enjoyed the poetry he quoted especially the closing lines: "Till soon, too soon, the growing west proclaimed the speed of wing'ed day." Our Narragansett members came out in good style, Mr. Hackett, the Olines, the Quams, the Savages, the Eddies and others.

After all the storms and hard rains I think our turkey crop will be much smaller than anticipated. Mr. Quam reported a loss of 300 poults in one storm that destroyed two new brooder houses. He still has a large flock of lovely poults left. I lost 25 poults during two heavy rains. The wind blew them off the roosts and the rain pelted them so hard that they died shortly after.

A poult surely gives up easily if the least thing is wrong with it. One of mine that had been out in the rain looked like his minutes were numbered. His wings were hanging to the ground, he was half sitting

and his head was pulled in as far as possible, with his eyes closed. I sat him on a box and flapped his wings and stretched his legs and moved his head from side to side. He soon started to stretch his neck, open his eyes and stood on his shaky legs and decided it wasn't a bad world to live in after all!

Last winter at the All-American Dr. Billings told us to put our brooder houses out in the field far from the farm yard. I have taken his advice this year; my turkeys are fine and I am too! Have lost 10 lbs. and advocate Dr. Billings method for reducing without cost.

I wish all you lady turkey raisers were as lucky as I am in having a man on the farm capable of making turkey equipment, such as feeders, fountains and brooder-tables. He has been with us four years. He can take an old can or piece of tin and cut and bend into feeders for fountain. He made my brooder tables equipped with feeders and water containers. And they have saved me time and work and the life of many a poult.

There are grain rust reports and it looks very serious unless we get very favorable weather from now on. I am thankful for one thing that our turkeys can't rust, and the turkeys do help a lot if the other crops are taken.

During the marketing season some of my city friends tell me they would like to go into the turkey business it looks like easy money. I usually ask them if they would be willing to follow me from early spring until the birds are ready for market in the fall? They hadn't stopped to think about the work that comes before the birds are ready to sell. And they know they don't see much of me during April, May and June. I enjoy my work, but there are times when it is hard, but you have to make up your mind to stay on the job if you would succeed.

The Minot picnic is this week and I don't know if I can arrange to get away or not, am going to try and hope to see a lot of you there. The picnic is held in the Minot Park, a beautiful spot.

Now that your work is a little easier—drop me a line or two. Remember we don't want to leave a vacant space in the AMERICAN TURKEY JOURNAL another month if we can help it.

MRS. WM. EDDIE, Secretary

LICE

Lice frequently kill or seriously injure poults. A lice-infested hen is sure to have lice-infested poults. The easiest way to prevent this is to delouse the hens before hatching time. Head lice can be eliminated by greasing the head with lard or vaseline. Body lice can be easily killed with Sodium Fluoride, purchasable at any drug store. It is applied by placing small pinches of the powder on the bird's skin, pushing back the feathers to accomplish this.

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All-American Hen Club Holds Another

The Annual Picnic Sponsored by the "Ladies Auxiliary" of the All-American Turkey Show Again Attracts a Good Crowd and Shows Them All a Good Time.

July 7th was a perfect picnic day and Riverside Park, Grand Forks, was never in finer shape. In charge of local arrangements, Bill Blain, Secretary of the All-American Show, had selected the shadiest and most convenient spot in the park and had tables assembled in a long stretch with others handy for the overflow late comers. Bill had also arranged for the coffee which was served free by the association.

The turkey "clan" began arriving shortly before noon, the first to be recorded was the C. E. Horien family from Holt, Minn. Space will not permit the complete listing of more than 100 registered. The second group to appear was Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Savage, their two sons and daughter and several friends from Grafton. Also among the early arrivals were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boardman, and a number of friends from Warren, Minn. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ralston and Claire Ralston were among the early comers but soon the arrivals were coming thick and fast. The Jno. O. Allen family of Radium, with Mrs. Allen, President of the Hen Club, was on hand to direct the setting of the tables and to serve as "reception committee" along with Mr. Blain, Jack Sherlock, Manager Hackett and others.

From the register, we find the following prominent turkey raisers, exhibitors and patrons of the All-American Turkey Show were present, and with them, families and friends making a total of about 140. Dr. Haney and family, Thief River Falls, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Ward Claney, family and guests, Stephen, Minn.; Mrs. Wilhelmine Grant, son Donald and guests, Glyndon, Minn.; Alfred Malmberg, Crookston, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Rutkowski and family, Climax, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kelleher, Georgetown, Minn.; Mr. Geo. Parr and son Frank, Argyle, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. H. Hulstrand and family, Milton, N. Dak.; Mr. and Mrs. Mack Burnett, Cummings, N. D., with them were Peggy and Jackie Andrews, Petersburg, N. D.; Mrs. Hattie Browell, Emerado, N. Dak.; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Olson, and son Wallace, Devils Lake, N. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Meehan, Devils Lake, N. D.; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hoynes, Mapes, N. D.

A group sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. John



Some of the merry picnickers at the annual All-American Hen Club picnic, held in Riverside Park, Grand Forks, N. D. on July 7th, 1935.

Wolfe, Merrifield, N. Dak. as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wolfe, Merrifield; Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Sullivan, Merrifield; E. J. Palmer, Merrifield and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wolfe, Saskatoon, Sask., Canada.

Miss Emma Ulrope and Wm. Ulrope, St. Thomas, N. Dak.; Mrs. Orick, St. Thomas, N. D.; Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Orick, Grand Forks, N. D.; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Quam, Beltrami, Minn.; Mrs. R. Sprague and son Richard, Crookston, Minn.

Attending from Grand Forks the following were listed: Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Blain, Miss Mina Vikeron, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Olin, Mrs. P. Johnson, Mrs. Filion, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sherlock, Mr. and Mrs. John Hesketh, Kenton, James and Herbert, A. I. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Cranley, Mr. and Mrs. S. Gustfson, Wm. Allen, of Grand Forks Herald, Miss Brown, Miss Nell Garvick, H. H. Herberger, R. Allen Nixon, Mrs. Hazel Frank. Many others not listed.

South Dakota registered a single representative, Martha M. Hohenthanner, Bonita Springs, S. D.

After a most sumptuous spread at 1:00 P. M. the afternoon was spent mostly in visiting, the chief purpose of the gathering. But during the afternoon a meeting of Directors, Exhibitors, and others interested in the show, was held at which Manager Hackett went over many items pertinent to the coming show, asking for comment and suggestions of ways and means for further improvement. Most of those present expressed entire satisfaction with the progress the show is making and with the present plan of management. The proposal of a 4-H Club department to be added to the show received favorable comment and the matter will be seriously considered.

Special contributions which added much to the enjoyment of the occasion was the ice cream, donated by the Red River Produce Company and the fine watermelons contributed personally by Mr. Vic Cranley. We can assure these donors that their contributions were much appreciated by all present. This Year's picnic will long be remembered as "the best yet," and a day well spent.



ALL-AMERICAN BRONZE TURKEY CLUB

EMIL JOHNSON, President, Kensington, Minn.
MRS. W. J. JANDA, Secretary, St. Hilaire, Minnesota

WHO'S WHO

This month we are introducing our first member from Kentucky. The Lusby Turkey Farm, Owenton, Ky. Mr. Ralph Lusby,



Mrs. W. J. Janda

manager, writes that the sale of eggs and poults has been very brisk. In fact the demand was so great that they sold all but 400 poults from their very best pens. He also states that the season has been very wet and cold and so many of the poults that were being raised with turkey hens succumbed. So that the turkey crop in Ken-

tucky will be the smallest in years. The Lusby Farm raise all their poults in brooder houses with screen porches.



We were very much pleased to receive an invitation from the American Poultry Association for a paper on Bronze turkeys to be given at the 6th Convention of the American Poultry Association at Danville, Illinois, August 6-7-8. We are trying to get action on same and trust that the turkey industry will be represented.



We were pleased to have Mr. Hackett with us for a short visit last week. As I haven't seen him since the All-American a year ago, it was a real treat and we are hoping that he will make a trip through this part of the country again.



I was so sorry I had to miss the picnic at Grand Forks, July 7. This is the first one we have missed since we started to have them. But I was assured that the Bronze Club was well represented with plenty of Bronze turkey meat and by members of our club. I am hoping that I will have seen the majority of our members at the Club picnic at Glendalough, Battle Lake, July 28.



Reports from most points of the country are for a smaller crop of turkeys so let's take heart and feed our birds extra well so that we can demand better prices. As most of our birds have to be put on the market why not advertise the sale of dressed birds, too? With other meats so high the turkey should be on a par with

them in price not mentioning the delectable eating in comparison with beef and pork. I believe a little extra "talking turkey for the table" would not be amiss this coming fall. It may be more in the purse than just advertising birds as breeders. In our little village there are many I have talked to who have not eaten turkey meat for years. Most of them say that they don't care for turkey meat as it's so dry. They have not eaten it since we have been raising turkeys in confinement and feeding them wholesome grain instead of bugs as formerly. Why not try to sell turkey meat as well as "show birds," breeders, etc. The Bronze is a good breed for every purpose. Young hens are just the size for a small family while our plump young toms are the delight of hotel chefs and for a large dinner party. Anyway let's sell our Bronze.

MRS. JANDA,
Secretary.

MINNESOTA TURKEY TOUR

By WESLEY MANUEL
Detroit Lakes, Minn.

The Becker County Turkey Growers Association held a successful tour on June 13th with Dr. W. A. Billings in charge of the demonstrations.

Leaving Detroit Lakes at 10:00 A. M. the Gottlieb Waedl farm was the first stop. Here we saw a new brooder house containing three hundred Mammoth Bronze poults. The poults were out on the alfalfa field and sure looked fine.

The next stops were at Matt Revier and Wm. Maves. They also grow Mammoth Bronze, each having a nice bunch of poults. The tour next stopped at the Frazee Creamery hall and about one hundred and twenty-five people heard Dr. Billings deliver a fine talk on the management of turkeys after which all were invited to the hotel as guests of the Frazee Creamery and a fried pike dinner was enjoyed by every one. The arrangements were handled by Oscar Anderson, manager of the creamery.

During the afternoon four farms were visited; E. F. Hacketts, Frank Carlson, Wm. Buhr, all had fine Mammoth Bronze poults. Mr. Buhr had fifteen hundred poults on the range. The last place was Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mindermann. They had over three hundred Narragansett poults on a fine alfalfa field and they looked mighty nice.

Most every one felt they had spent a very profitable day, and are looking forward to our fall tour.

All-American Bronze Picnic

Glendalough Farms, at Battle Lake, Minnesota, is Scene of First Annual Picnic of Bronze Breeders and It Proves a Big Success
From Start to Finish.

Ever since the invitation was extended last winter by Mr. Hansen, Manager of the Minneapolis Tribune turkey and game farm, known as Glendalough, a great many of our turkey growers have been keenly anticipating this first event held under the auspices of the Bronze Club, which would give them an opportunity likewise to view the many interests in the raising of both game birds, ducks, and turkeys at this widely known place.

Glendalough has a national reputation among sportsmen for the splendid work Mr. Murphy, owner of the farm, has been promoting in the matter of raising and releasing pheasants and wild ducks, re-stocking game preserves, and for general distribution throughout the country. In recent years it has likewise gained considerable reputation as an important turkey producing farm, some years producing as high as 12,000 birds for market.

Our readers will be interested to know something of the extent of this farm. It contains about 800 acres near the town of Battle Lake, Minnesota, about 500 acres of which is hardwood timber, and on the farm there are in whole or in part five beautiful lakes, which makes an ideal place for the purpose it is used for, and as a recreation park, now beautifully arranged and sodded under the shade of beautiful natural trees, and in the center of which is Mr. Murphy's summer home.

Besides this main cottage there are two farm houses and four cottages, with accommodations for about 35 guests. These are situated on the north shore of Annie Battle Lake, a beautiful sheet of clear, sparkling water, and with timbered shores.

The Turkeys

Here Bronze turkeys are raised and for the present season 950 breeding hens were kept. Through good management they were brought to laying very early, long before the snow had disappeared, as will be seen by the fact that the first hatch came out April 22. The 950 hens laid 54,500 eggs during the hatching season, with many later eggs used as food for the young pheasants. The farm sold 17,000 eggs and 16,000 poults, and have on the farm at this time something over 5,000 growing poults, the largest of which we estimated would weigh around 9 pounds.

The percentage of hatch from all eggs set was about 64, which compared with reports received from general sources was most excellent for this season. On the farm they have an incubation capacity of 30,000 turkey eggs and brooding capacity for more than 7,000 poults. This same

equipment is used for the production of about 10,000 pheasants, which closely follows the turkey hatching and brooding activities. In addition to turkeys and pheasants they are raising about 200 wild turkeys, and most of them are "wild," and about 3,000 ducks.

What is known as the game farm is a 72 acre tract, fenced with high wire fencing, topped with galvanized iron. It is within this enclosure that the turkeys are started in 32 brooder houses which are 12 x 14 feet each, having a wire porch in connection, and all the pheasants also are started and raised within this 72 acre enclosure. One need only look over the equipment, fencing, etc., to readily understand that the expenditure on this project has been a very substantial figure.

Axel Hansen, General Manager, while primarily a stock man, has shown keen adaptability to the management of the turkey project, and Tom Pederson, the resident farm manager, is a thorough-going turkey man, who knows his turkeys and how to handle them. There are of course from four to six helpers, who have also been selected on account of their knowledge and adaptability to this line of work.

The Picnic

The postponement of the date, July 14th, to July 28th, probably reduced the attendance somewhat, yet there were approximately 250 in attendance, and some from great distances.

The first car to arrive at about 9 A. M. was that of Mrs. William Eddy, Northwood, North Dakota, and with her were Mrs. E. Loe, Mr. and Mrs. Mac Burnett, and their son, Willard Burnett. They had driven down the night before and had remained in Battle Lake over night. Other early arrivals were Mr. and Mrs. O. Vinge and their neighbor, Mr. Nelson from Churchs Ferry, North Dakota. They had left home at 9 o'clock and driven all night and arrived at the farm about 10 A. M. Mrs. Carl Krause from Morris was another of the early arrivals, and with her were Mr. C. Erdahl and daughter Grace from Donnelly.

Aitkin County was well represented by the following: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kelling, Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, A. W. Hoffman and daughter, Mrs. Sam Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wright and family, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Shisler, Mr. and Mrs. Clayson, R. H. Williams, President of the Aitkin Turkey Association and others who came as guests of the foregoing.

The guests as they arrived assembled at the game farm where they viewed the incubator, the brooding equipment, and the

thousands of pheasants of various ages and sizes, making this a collecting point until the majority of guests had arrived. They then proceeded to the turkey lots, where in well-fenced runs, provided with shelter sheds and ample roosting space, the 5,000 young turkeys were viewed by the visitors.

Among other things of interest was the construction of these shelter sheds, being made mostly from tamarack poles cut in the vicinity and constructed at a very low cost. They were built on skids of the same material, were 16 x 20 feet in size, and easily moveable to any portion of the farm desired.

The feeding of pellets was another item of interest, this being limited to one or two pens. It is an experiment with this farm, largely with the hope of overcoming feather picking. The results will be looked forward to with general interest.

For the past two years the management here has been looking to the improvement of standard qualities of their breeding stock through certification and special selection, and the growing stock this year shows a marked improvement in these qualities. Glendalough will undoubtedly be heard from at the turkey shows during this coming season.

After the turkeys had been looked over the entire party was piloted on a long and beautiful winding road through the primi-

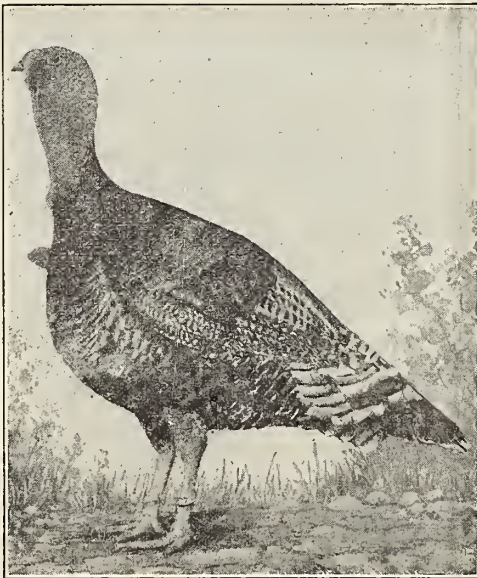
tive forests at a point near the lake shore where benches and tables had been arranged for the picnic proper and where after a sumptuous dinner had been served, a good portion of which had been furnished free of charge by the management of Glendalough, a short program was held, at which Dr. W. A. Billings and Judge George W. Hackett were the principal speakers.

Others were introduced and made brief remarks. These included Emil Johnson, President who expressed the thanks of the Bronze Club for the hospitality extended by the farm and for the generous lunch served to all guests. Mrs. Janda, Secretary of the Club also expressed the thanks of the members for their hospitality. After the brief program, friendly greetings and visiting were in order, and a meeting of the club directors was held.

At the conclusion of this the time was spent in greetings and visiting and viewing the beautiful scene of the lake front while some participated in the pleasures of boating.

There were about 250 present and all were pronounced in their expression that they had enjoyed this splendid hospitality to the fullest extent. The idea of going to a picnic without having to pack a picnic dinner was new to most of the ladies and many expressions of appreciation of this feature of the program was heard.

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Other Visitors

Prominent turkey raisers who came from long distances were as follows: From northern Minnesota: the John Allens, the Clayneys, Mr. Haney and Mrs. Janda, Alfred Malmberg, the Grant family, and others. From southern Minnesota came Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Revier and Mr. Revier's mother, Lloyd Larson of the Hubbard Milling Co., Judge Frank Cross of the Washburn Crosby Co., Dr. and Mrs. Billings, and Judge Geo. W. Hackett. Other Minnesota folks attending were, Mrs. May Driscoll, Mr. J. M. Albjerg, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Skrove.

As was to be expected, a large number of representatives from Douglas County were present. Among these we noted the following: Christ Fiskness, and H. M. Hanson, President and Secretary of the Northern States Turkey Show, Alexandria. Those who came with their families and guests were, Emil Johnson, President of the Bronze Club, Geo. Gilbertsons, Ole Nelsons, the Fosliens, J. Martinson, E. Thompson, Cleve Angens, Walter Woodtkee, T. B. Venske, Elling Albertson and N. P. Peterson. Mr. and Mrs. Al. C. Johnson and daughter Lois arrived in time for dinner as the only representatives from South Dakota. They were greeted warmly. From Wisconsin we had with us Mr. Margolis, of Amery and perhaps others whose names we did not get. There was no attempt made to get a complete register of attendance and we make due apology to those we have missed to record.

The All-American Bronze Club and turkey folks are to be congratulated on the success of this fine event. The weather was fine even if a little warm. The setting for the picnic was ideal and all will look forward to the recurrence of this event next year.

PICNIC PERSONALS

Congratulations were extended to Lloyd Larson of the Hubbard Milling Company, at the picnic over the arrival of a new son on July 26th. Lloyd gave all the credit to "Sunshine Starter" when called to his feet before the picnic crowd by Axel Hanson, who presided as chairman during the program. And by the way, Mr. Hanson proved himself a "Past-Master" in that capacity.

Amongst the larger groups that came great distances, the J. O. Allens, the Claneys, the Haney and Mrs. Janda, from up in the northwestern part of Minnesota, drove down the day before and spent Saturday night at "Mayfields" the home of Mrs. May Driscoll, on east Battle Lake. Swimming and other sports were enjoyed at this hospitable home, and while little sleep was had by the merry crowd, they reported the "best time ever."

To make preparations to serve the eats

to a crowd that might number anywhere from 100 to 300 guests, and which did count up to about 250, was no small job, while at the same time the regular guests at the camp had to be taken care of. But well trained help under the competent direction of Mrs. Tom Pederson and with the active cooperation of Mr. Pederson and Mr. Hanson, everything "checked" without a hitch. Those who did the "dishing up" at the cafeteria table are also to be complimented for good services rendered.

Among the crowd at Glendalough, we noted a large number of younger folks and children. That was as it should be. It was a place where the whole family could enjoy themselves in the fullest. No register by families was made nor prizes offered on largest families, but so far as we could learn, the Claude Wright family at Aitkin is entitled to highest honors.

Announcement was made during the program, that the annual tour and turkey dinner, of the Aitkin Turkey Association will take place October 9th. All turkey growers are invited to attend this important event. The turkey growers of Aitkin county have made great progress during the several years they have been organized and working together for the improvement of their turkeys, until their product is widely known and keenly sought for.

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TO WHOM WILL YOU SELL?

With the young stock fast developing thoughts and talk of marketing are common with turkey folks. The question of to whom we will sell resolves itself to where we think the best prices can be obtained.

Marketing in recent years has resolved itself more or less to the pool method of selling and when conducted fairly is certainly the most satisfactory, involves the least risk to everyone and results in fair play to all concerned.

There is one class of buyers, however, non-resident in the real turkey producing country, but who cover the territory annually in securing contracts from farmers for their market birds, usually telling flattering stories about the prices they will obtain for them, but really making no definite promises as to what that price will be. The class we have in mind does not establish real business places, but loads from temporary quarters, usually railroad stations or side tracks, doing its own grading and paying the least price it is obliged to secure the stock and to leave the impression that it is doing a little better by the growers than they can obtain elsewhere.

We have learned, however, that it is some of these same buyers who furnish large quantities of dressed turkeys for the chain store trade and for other wholesale dealers in the large cities, who buy at the lowest possible price and sometimes through the unfair method of turning down carload after carload of shipments after they have reached the Eastern market, for the sole purpose of bringing down the prices and for the effect it has on country prices where turkeys are produced. These people pay no taxes in local communities in which they do their buying, have no particular interest in any movement or project that serves to better turkey quality, their whole purpose in their transactions being their annual harvest obtained from profits on farm raised birds.

As an illustration of their attitude we give the following example. Last November while stopping at a hotel in a North Dakota town we learned there were representatives of a well-known firm that for years has practiced this method of buying in the Northwest. Thinking to encourage their cooperation by interesting them in the All-American Turkey Show, which all admit has done splendid work in the matter of improving turkey quality, and perhaps to also induce them to take some advertising in the AMERICAN TURKEY JOURNAL, providing we found their methods of dealing were satisfactory, we approached the man who had charge of this particular territory.

We introduced ourselves as Editor of the Journal and also as Manager of the All-American Turkey Show, saying as we did so, perhaps he would be interested in our magazine and to learn something about the show. His answer was, "I am not interested in either, and have no time to look at

your paper." He could well have added, "We care only for the profits we are getting out of the turkeys raised in the Northwest."

Case investigation shows that these people have never paid prices equal to those received from local, legitimate buyers, or even from the well-advertised Eastern produce buyers who annually receive large express shipments because of the fair and square dealing they have given the grower.

We are not particularly interested in advocating any particular plan or method of selling, but as in every other line, we do believe that where people can do just as well, even if not better, they should patronize home industry and thereby help those who are helping the turkey industry to develop to its gigantic proportions it has obtained in the Northwest.

We have learned that even at this early date the solicitor-buyers are covering the territory and with the present outlook of shortage on this year's turkey crop and the prospects for better prices, we suggest that there is every probability growers will obtain better prices from local buyers who are not asking for contracts, but who are willing to pay the growers all their product is worth, reserving only a reasonable margin for their labor and investment.

DOUBLE RAINBOWS

By W. H. KINCAID, McClave, Colo.

In reading the comments on "Double, Triple Rainbows" in May and June issues of the AMERICAN TURKEY JOURNAL, it recalls to my mind of how a few years ago so many Bronze breeders were so anxious to produce birds with double rainbow tails. In fact, that was about the only thing they could see about a Bronze turkey. In selecting breeders they always chose birds with this one section in mind, disregarding all others seemingly, until some sections were sacrificed to the extent that they were practically lost.

I have watched breeders trying to produce spot or band females. The result usually was coverts with a smutty or splotchy effect of bronze overflowing into and ruining the clear white edging which should be found on tips of coverts. In these same birds the pencilling on maintail would be lacking and the back would have a smutty effect and overflow of bronze.

The Standard says the female should have bronze in black covert bands but why be so anxious to breed for that particular section alone and lose some other section which is equally as, or more, important? Spots and bands of bronze are appearing on the female covert bands as on the males but is taking a little more time to produce them.

Personally, I prefer a female with plain black covert bands with pure white edging, and other good sections, than one with an overflow of bronze into white edging. A good turkey judge will cut rather severely on this overflow of bronze and the Standard says "the more distinct the color throughout the plumage, the better."

In the past too many Bronze breeders have been inclined to make one section of the Bronze turkey a "hobby." With some it was the wing, others—a rainbow tail, single or double (and now triple), again—a

short or long leg (and all the time it should have been a medium length leg) until in some particular flocks one section was intensified and became outstanding while other points were lost altogether.

I know all breeders will agree that the more bronze a bird carries the better but do all agree on the shade of bronze? The Standard says "copperish bronze" and not greenish, purplish or some other shade.

Although the Bronze breed does have a great many different sections in the plumage let us learn to see the bird as a whole. If outstanding in some parts give due credit but at the same time try to be able to see the weaknesses whether it be in plumage, or in the type which is given 60 points of the 100 for perfect,

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are.*

*Whenever we travel
The concrete or gravel,
Or visit the neighbors or go as we
please,*

*I start in to fumble
And foolishly mumble
This query. "Oh, what did I do with
the keys?"*

*I go through my pockets like mad on the
quest,*

*I go through my trousers, my coat
and my vest—*

*I've keys for the clock
And the doors that I lock,*

*I've keys I possess and don't know
what they are;*

*I've keys for the closet
The safety deposit,*

*But what did I do with the keys to
the car?*

*Mrs. asks "Are you sure" and I
answer her; "madam,*

*Never mind your suggestions, I tell
you I had 'em.*

*Just look on me pleasantly,
I'll find 'em presently,*

*They're somewhere about me and
cannot be far;*

*They're here, that's conclusive,
Not lost—just elusive,*

*Just wait 'til I find them—Those keys
to the car!"*

A DAY DREAM REALIZED

Several years ago a rather run-down piece of property was purchased and in a mood of anticipation and contemplation the owner's "day dream" was much like this:

"I'll change this bit of property into a home that will truly exemplify "Before and After."

I'll make a garden of my own design that will be enjoyed by all who pass our way.

A tiny pool, with waterlilies in it will be my "lake" and the birds that build their nests close by will come for refreshing.

A rockery will be my "mountain," where vines creep over the rocks and moss roses, and other blossoms, make a bright spot, that is overcast by the shadow of the sumac bush.

Then too, a fire place at one side of the "outdoor living room" across the lawn where many things can be prepared for an outdoor picnic with family or friends.

This will be my possession and the realization of my inner self for beauty. Wander where I may nothing can be quite so restful as this bit of natural beauty, my own hands have helped to make, for; "man does not live by bread alone," but by dreams and ideals realized.

Years have gone swiftly by and this "dream" has been realized. Not every place or locality would respond as well, but any home can be made more attractive by a few flowers and a well-kept lawn. The home atmosphere is so well expressed outside, as well as, in.



HELPFUL HINTS

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In July

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Keep the flowers on your pansies, sweet peas, and nasturtium beds well picked, and don't water them too much, otherwise they will have few flowers.

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TURKEY HEN CLUB NOTES

By MRS. JOHN O. ALLEN, President

The weatherman smiled on turkey folks as they met at Grand Forks, North Dakota for the annual All-American Picnic. Storms and sudden showers had been in the air for weeks, but on July 7th Riverside Park had a perfect picnic day, and everything was grand. I heard several remark that they had never before seen so many good things on one table. I wonder why there is not, on the market, a cook book written by our Hen Club. It might be entitled, "How to Keep a Husband."

A good crowd was present. Some had a long way to come. Judge Hackett drove up from Wayzata. Rather natural that he should be there too. No wonder the sun shone so brightly. One would think after a dinner such as we had that day, we couldn't get hungry for a week, but along towards evening again we gathered around the tables. More chicken, salads, cakes, pies; while Mr. and Mrs. Eddie served coffee.

Yes, it was one good long day but it wasn't long enough. We lingered on as long as possible. Then Good-Bye and off for home. It was a Grand Picnic. Hope to see you at Glendalough.



On July 14th, we called at the Glyndon Farms, Glyndon, Minn., and enjoyed a pleasant visit with the Grants. Mrs. Grant took us around to see the turkeys—a flock of fourteen hundred or more Bronze. With a man to care for them, she supervises the work, giving the birds her personal attention. The turkeys have their different pens, with runs in alfalfa, and sheltered from strong winds by a grove of trees. These trees, planted by Mr. Grant, surround the farm buildings and give a beautiful setting for the home.

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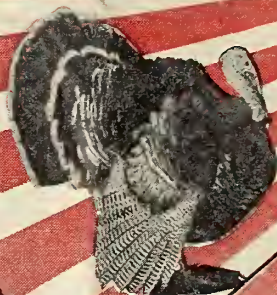
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